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PATENT

Customer No. 22,852

Attorney Docket No. 4329.2484

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Masahiro TADA et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2115
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Application No.: 09/746,222	)	Examiner: Cao, Chun
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Filed: December 26, 2000	)	
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For: INFORMATION PROCESSING	)	Confirmation No.: 1143
APPARATUS AND OPERATING	)	
STATE CONTROL METHOD	)	

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

**AMENDMENT**

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination and fulfills the requirement for a submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114. This Amendment responds to the Final Office Action dated March 7, 2005, the period for response to which extends through June 7, 2005. Please reconsider this application in light of the following amendment and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** follow the Amendments to the Claims section of this paper beginning on page 9 of this paper.